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The Killeen Fire Department is investigating a structure fire that occurred this evening in the 3200 block of Longview Drive.

Killeen Fire and Police Departments received a 911 call in reference to a house fire at 3205 Longview Drive at 8:42pm. Upon arrival, they found the house engulfed in flames and a female screaming that her son was still inside the residence. Firefighters conducted a primary sweep of the home but were unable to locate anyone. Minutes later another 911 call was received from employees at the Jack in the Box located at 3201 E. Veterans Memorial Blvd., telling them that an injured male needed medical attention. When the officers arrived at the Jack in the Box, they learned that this was the man who was believed to be in the burning residence; he was able to escape through a window in the back of the house. Paramedics arrived and transported the male to the Scott & White Memorial Hospital with non life threatening injuries.

The residences in three houses on each side of the burning house were evacuated due to high winds for precautionary reasons. Firefighters fought the blaze for approximately one hour, using three engines and one tower truck. The American Red Cross is assisting the two residents whom were displaced from their home.

This cause of the fire is still under investigation and information will be released through the Killeen Fire Marshalls Office as it becomes available.

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